



Mifflin County Junior High



# Husky News

May 2026

## Academic Growth in Action

As we approach the end of another school year, it is a wonderful time to reflect on the growth, accomplishments, and memorable moments that have shaped our school community. This year has been filled with hard work, perseverance, and countless successes—both big and small—and we are incredibly proud of all that our students have achieved.

Our students have demonstrated resilience, curiosity, and a commitment to learning that continues to inspire us each day. None of this would be possible without the dedication of our outstanding staff and the ongoing support of our families. Thank you for partnering with us to create a positive and engaging learning environment for every child.

Let's continue to support one another, strive for excellence, and "Run with the P.A.C.K" as we take on the school year ahead—together.

### Policy 105.1

Mifflin County School District School Board Policy 105.1 requires annual notification to parents/guardians and students that parents/guardians and students have an opportunity to review instructional materials and have access to information about the curriculum, including academic standards to be achieved, instructional materials and assessment techniques. Requests to review instructional materials and access information about the curriculum, including academic standards to be achieved, instructional materials and assessment techniques should be made by submitting a written request to the building principal.

## Important Dates

**May 1-** 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Tours

**May 11 & 12-** Algebra Keystones

**May 14 & 15-** Biology Keystones

**May 21-** Art Show (4:30- 6:30)

**May 25-** Memorial Day- No School for Students

**May 27-** Annual MCJHS Kickball Tournament

**May 28-** School-Wide Rita's Ice

**May 29-** Last Day of School (12:30 Dismissal)

[Full 2025-26 School Calendar Click Here](#)

## MEDICATION POLICY

“Over-the-Counter Medication forms will be handed out to students. This form must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian for students to receive medication from the school nurse. If your child does not submit the Over-the-Counter Medication form to the Nurse's Office, your child will not receive medication at school. Forms are available in the nurse's office. As a reminder, students are NOT permitted to carry any medications on their person during school hours. This includes cough drops, medicated creams, eye drops, or anything else that is used for medicinal purposes. Any medication required to be taken at school MUST be transported to school by a parent/guardian or designated adult and accompanied by a physician's order. Parents and guardians are required to sign medications into the nurse's office at drop-off. If your child requires an inhaler, a new physician order must be submitted to the school nurse EACH school year before your child can carry an inhaler on their person. Failure to do so is a violation of the MCSD Medication Policy.”

### Nurse Hours and Contact Info

All student medications must be dropped off with a nurse present.

**Mrs. Abigail Allison, aek38@mcsdk12.org**

*Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.*

**Mrs. Carrie Baumgardner, clb46@mcsdk12.org**

*Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
7:45-3:15*

**MCJH on Social Media  
Click Icons for link**



[mifflin\\_county\\_jh](https://www.instagram.com/mifflin_county_jh)



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@MifflinCountyJH](https://www.facebook.com/MifflinCountyJH)

# Students of the Month

Kaden Peachey



Dylan Noerr



Hannah Lyles



Delaynie Newlen

# Leaders of the Pack

Carson Laub



Phoenix Losey



Rocklyn Goss



Nora Esterline



# Run with the P.A.C.K.



## Celebrating Our PBIS Banner Status Achievement!

Representatives from the IU visited Mifflin County Junior High School on April 28<sup>th</sup> and completed the Tiered Fidelity Inventory (TFI) to evaluate Tier 1 implementation of PBIS. The TFI consisted of reviewing PBIS documents and interviewing students and staff at the Junior High to measure the influence of PBIS at our school.

We are proud to share that our school has been recognized for achieving PBIS Banner Status, with a score of 93% on the TFI! This honor reflects our ongoing commitment to creating a positive, safe, and supportive learning environment for all students. The banner will be presented in the fall of the 2026-2027 school year.

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is a framework that helps schools establish clear expectations, recognize positive behaviors, and provide consistent support to ensure student success. Through this work, our students learn the importance of respect, responsibility, and safety in all areas of school life.

Earning this recognition is truly a team effort. Our students have demonstrated outstanding growth in meeting expectations, our staff have remained dedicated to teaching and reinforcing positive behaviors, and our families have continued to support these values at home. Together, we have built a school culture where students feel encouraged, supported, and ready to learn.

While we celebrate this accomplishment, we remain committed to continuous improvement. We will continue to strengthen our PBIS practices and look for new ways to support every student's academic and social-emotional growth.

Thank you for being an essential part of our school community and for helping us make this achievement possible!



# Run with the P.A.C.K.



Be ResPonsible

Act SAfely

Have Character

MaKe a Difference

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

Thank you for another amazing month! April was an awesome month full of great moments. This May, we are looking to have some even better moments! Throughout April, the student team was preparing for and executing our 2026 Spring Fling, which occurred on April 18th. In May, students will be recognized by the PBIS team for showing Optimism! Students nominated will have their picture taken to be showcased outside of the gym. We will also begin preparation for the Kickball day at the end of the year!

Here's a look at what's happening this month:  
**Important Dates & Events**

- **May 28th** – *Kickball Day*
- **3/25 - End of year** - *Inflatable Kayak, \$100 Amazon Gift Card, Laptop, JBL Bluetooth Speaker*

**This Month's PBIS Focus: Have Character:**

Throughout May, our school-wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program is emphasizing *Optimism*. Families, please join us in reinforcing this value at home by encouraging students to take ownership of their actions, schoolwork, and commitments. Being optimistic means being prepared for the day and hopeful that things will go your way!

We are looking forward to a successful April filled with teamwork, school spirit, and positive energy. Thank you for your ongoing support in helping our students "Run with the Pack"!

With appreciation,  
Mifflin County PBIS Team



**“HANDS THAT HELP, HEARTS THAT CARE”**



THE LIFE CLASSROOM CAREFULLY WEEDS AND TRIMS THE FLOWER BED OUTSIDE OUR SCHOOL, HELPING KEEP THE GROUNDS LOOKING BEAUTIFUL AND WELCOMING.

# ¡Vámonos! Spanish Club Hits the Ballet

MCJH and MCHS Spanish Clubs took a trip to Harrisburg on Tuesday, April 7th, to view two Hispanic dance shows by the Hispanic Flamenco Ballet based in Miami, watching performances of salsa, flamenco, and folkloric dances. Students also had the chance to participate and learn some of the dances! Lunch at "Los Tres Hermanos" restaurant for some Mexican food and shopping at a Mexican grocery store followed!



# MCJHS 2026 Art Show

MIFFLIN COUNTY JUNIOR HIGH



You are invited to the  
**2026 ART SHOW**

**MAY 21, 2026 | 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM**

Please enter using the flagpole entrance.

Please join us in celebration of our art students  
accomplishments.

## 2025-2026 Student Announcer Spotlight

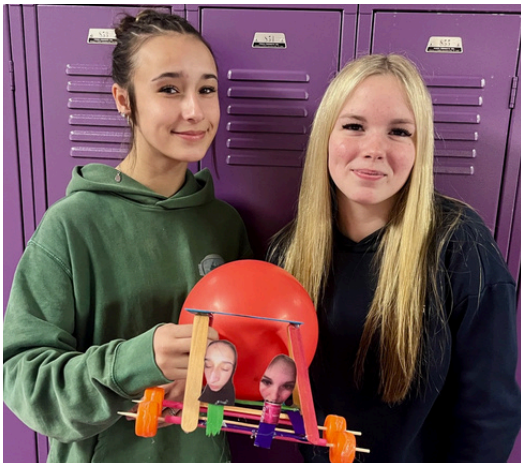
Congratulations to this year's student announcers for a job well done! (From left to right in the pic) Sommer Smith, Relayna DeArment, and Jovie Kauffman did a great job delivering the morning announcements. We appreciate their dedication and commitment to keeping the students and staff informed of the latest and greatest news and events here at MCJHS.



# Scoot, There It Is!

Mr. Breneman's 8th-grade science classes built Newton scooters during their unit on motion. Students demonstrated vast creativity and were able to prove a good understanding of Newton's Laws and how they applied to the movement of their car. Cars were powered by a single 12-inch

balloon.



# Full Tilt into Fearlessness

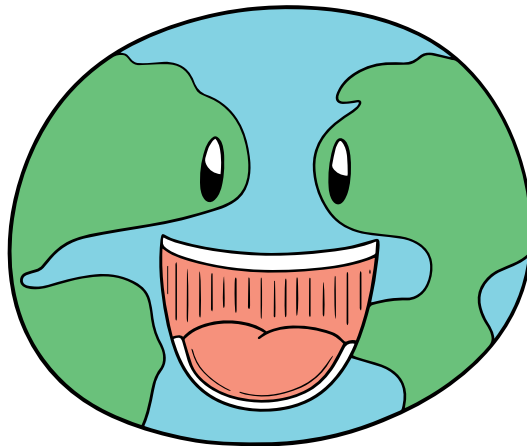
Ms. Corson's classes are studying symbolism, character analysis, and figurative language while reading the novel *Full Tilt* by Neil Shusterman. The characters in the novel receive a symbolic button/pin after facing one of their biggest fears. The students discussed their fears with each other, then strategized about how they could face them in the future. All students then made a button/pin as a symbolic gesture of the courage they will have as they face their fears one day at a time.





# Small Space, Big Impact

Community Service Club and Art Club spent Earth Day making our courtyard beautiful! We are thankful for donations from Lowe's that made the cleanup possible!





Dear Parent/Guardian:

In an era of cell phones, smartphones and other electronic devices which can easily photograph and instantly share photographs, confidential and secure test materials can be easily compromised. Not only is it expensive to replace a compromised test item, the material contained in the PSSA and Keystone Exams is copyrighted property of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Copying or duplicating the material from the assessment, including the taking of a photograph of secure assessment material, is a violation of the federal Copyright Act. Penalties for violations of the Copyright Act may include the cost of replacing the compromised test item(s) or fines of no less than \$750 up to \$30,000 for a single violation (17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.).

In order to ensure reliable test results and to avoid the cost of replacing test items, the Department of Education requires schools to set rules and take certain steps to protect test materials. Electronic devices such as but not limited to cell phones, smartphones, smartwatches, smart glasses, E-readers, Nooks, Kindles, iPods, tablets, camera-ready devices, and any other electronic device which can be used to photograph or duplicate test materials, access the internet and/or communicate with others during the administration of the PSSA or Keystone Exams are not permitted in any testing site. Please speak with your child and let your child know that the possession and/or use of a cell phone or other electronic device during the administration of the PSSA or Keystone Exams will result in consequences.

You will be contacted by the school if your child is discovered using and/or having a cell phone or other unapproved electronic device during the administration of the PSSA or Keystone Exams. Students who ignore this directive will be subject to the school's discipline policy and the Department of Education's requirement that the student's test will not be scored and the student will be required to retake the entire exam. The electronic device will be held by school staff, and the device's stored photographs and other functions will be examined with your permission. You may request to be present when the electronic device is examined. If a photograph of the PSSA or Keystone Exam is discovered or if permission to search other functions of the electronic device is refused, the device will be held by the school staff. The Pennsylvania Department of Education holds the copyright to all material contained within the PSSA and Keystone Exams, the Pennsylvania Department of Education will be contacted and further action may be taken.

If, after testing is complete, it is discovered that a student used and/or had a cell phone or other unapproved electronic device during the administration of the test, the school's discipline policy will be followed and the student's test will not be scored.

## Math Lab

Tuesdays, Wednesdays,  
Thursdays and Fridays

7:30-8:00 a.m.

Room 122



## After School Tutoring

Mondays, Tuesdays,  
Wednesdays, and

Thursdays

3:15 - 4:30 p.m.

Room 124



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# Yearbook

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Yearbooks are still available! However, there are only **15** yearbooks left for order and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. The price remains \$40. All yearbooks will be delivered to the students during the last week of school.



**To Order a Yearbook Use the QR Code or click the link below:**

[Josten's Yearbook Link](#)



2024-2025 TOTAL: \$1,068.29

[SCAN NEW QR CODE TO REGISTER YOUR CARD!](#)

- Points are awarded to your school every time you shop and are converted to CASH for your school.
- Please share our QR code with your friends/family so they can help us earn points!
- Eligible points from the beginning of the year will be added retroactively, so you can register anytime.
- More information is located on the MCJH website under the Assist MCJH tab.

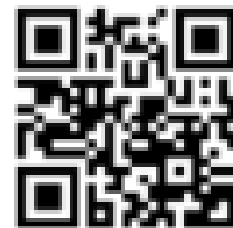
[Box Tops For Education MCJH](#)

MCJH receives rewards from Box Tops, a digital receipt-scan app that is free and available for download on the App Store or at Google Play.

More information is located on the MCJH website under the Assist MCJH tab.

**CURRENT REWARD TOTAL:  
\$168.60!**

**DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS  
APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:**



[PBIS Student Rewards](#)

- PBIS Store will be open daily 7:30-8:00 a.m. & 3:15-3:30 p.m.
- Use rewards app to order items, then pick up items at the store.
- Keep watching for drawings that will be happening throughout the school year!

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# Husky Resources

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At Mifflin County Junior High School, we strive to create a safe, respectful, and engaging learning environment for all students. To support this goal, we ask that families review the Student Handbook for Secondary Education, which outlines important policies, expectations, and guidelines. <https://www.mcsdk12.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Secondary-Education-Student-Handbook-2024-2025-Rev-3-5-25.pdf>. We encourage parents and guardians to read through the handbook with their student to ensure everyone is familiar with school rules, attendance policies, and behavior expectations. Please note that as policy updates occur, the Student Handbook may be revised accordingly.



Mifflin County Junior High is committed to maintaining a positive and responsive school environment. If you have a concern or complaint about Board policy and procedures, programs, personnel, operations or facilities, concerns should be addressed directly with the teacher, staff member or administrator involved. Many issues can be resolved through open and respectful communication. More information on complaint procedures is provided in Policy 906 of the MCSKD Policy Manual. <https://go.boarddocs.com/pa/miff/Board.nsf/Public#>

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## Student Assistance Program (SAP)

The MCJH Student Assistance Program (SAP) Team is a group of professionals dedicated to helping to identify and assist students who may be struggling with life issues that are interfering with school performance. The SAP team consists of teachers, administrators, school counselors, social workers, nurses, and representatives from community agencies who have been specially trained to work with students and make appropriate referrals. This help is provided in a completely non disciplinary way. Based on the diverse needs of our students, this process may include an interview with a member of the SAP team, a counseling group, or individual counseling with the school-based therapist or social worker. Services may include academic support; behavior management; drug and alcohol education, prevention, assessment and treatment through Clear Concepts; anger management; mental health assessment through the Youth Advocate Program; conflict resolution, or involvement in community agencies. All SAP-related services are free and confidential. A parent or guardian must sign a permission for SAP services. Any student, parent, or teacher may make a referral. If you have concerns for a MCSD student in grades K12, please contact an administrator, school counselor, or school nurse.

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### Guidance

Ms. Kristine Johnston and Mrs. Lisa Kile are the MCJH school counselors. Mrs. Kile is responsible for students with last names A-K, and Ms. Johnston is responsible for students with last names L-Z. Please contact your student's guidance counselor if you have any concerns throughout the school year.

**Mrs. Lisa Kile - lak28@mcsdk12.org**

**Ms. Kristine Johnston - kaj15@mcsdk12.org**

### MCJH Contact Info

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**Mr. Richard A. Strausburg, Assistant Principal**

ras37@mcsdk12.org

### Family Access

- Family Access is an excellent resource to keep up to date on your student's academic progress, and we encourage you to access it regularly.
  - If you need login information, please call Mrs. Bulick, the guidance secretary, at 717-248- 5441 extension 7506 for assistance.
  - Tutorials for finding busing information, online attendance, etc., can be found by following the instructions below:
- Open web browser and type URL <https://www.mcsdk12.org/>
    - From the menu, click STUDENTS/PARENTS
      - Click link TECH TUTORIALS
      - Scroll to location FAMILY ACCESS

### Instructional Supplies - MCSD Policy 110

The building principal will be responsible to ensure that no student in the school is denied participation in any school program for financial reasons and that the privacy of each student is protected. The principal will use the guidelines of the free and reduced price lunch program to determine the ability of students to provide necessary school supplies.

Parents/Guardians must complete the Application for Instructional Supplies and submit required documentation when requesting free instructional supplies for students. Please contact the principal for more information and to request the application.